

CLAIMS:

1. A hair-cutting apparatus (1)
with a cutting device (9) for cutting hair, and
with a suction device (17) for drawing off cut pieces of hair, said suction
device (17) being equipped with a suction channel (21), which is bounded by channel walls
5 (22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29), at least some of which (22, 24, 26, 28) extend into the vicinity
of the cutting device (9) and, with the ends located in the vicinity of the cutting device (9),
bound a suction opening (30) through which air can be drawn into the suction channel (21) in
one suction direction (31) at a specific flow rate,
wherein the suction device (17) being equipped with varier means (36) for
10 varying the flow rate in the area of the suction opening (30).
2. A hair-cutting apparatus (1) as claimed in claim 1,
wherein the varier means (36) comprising a section (35) of a channel wall
(22), which section (35) bounds the suction opening (30) and which section (35) being more
15 able in relation to the other channel walls (23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29).
3. A hair-cutting apparatus (1) as claimed in claim 2,
wherein the varier means (36) being equipped with a spring means (37)
interacting with the section (35) of channel wall (22), said spring means (37) spring-loads the
20 section (35) counter to suction direction (31), and
wherein the section (35) being designed and disposed to interact with the hair
to be cut and, during the interaction with the hair to be cut, being more able counter to the
force of spring means (37).
- 25 4. A hair-cutting apparatus (1) as claimed in claim 3,
wherein the spring means (37) being in the form of a rod-type or leaf-type
spring (37) that extends essentially transversely to the suction direction (31), and has a
curved shape.

5. A hair-cutting apparatus (1) as claimed in claim 4,
wherein the spring force of the rod-type or leaf-type spring (37) lies in a range
between 10 mN and 50 mN.